

**Attorney Docket No. RELA-005/03US**

**PATENT**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	Polito, Alan J.	Confirmation No.:	6774
Serial No.:	10/634,331	Group Art Unit:	1645
Filed:	8/4/2003	Examiner:	Hines, Jana A.
For:	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PERFORMING A LATERAL FLOW ASSAY		

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**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

Applicants have considered the Office Action mailed May 25, 2006 in connection with the above-referenced patent application. Applicants kindly request reconsideration of the claims in light of the remarks that follow.

Filed herewith is a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 extending the period for responding by one month, from August 25, 2006, to and including **September 25, 2006**.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.